

THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1889.

The Village Improvement Association.

We are informed that a meeting of the Village Improvement Association is to be called on Friday evening next. The meeting is to provide for the resuscitation or suitable burial of the Association, as circumstances may require. In its early youth the Association accomplished much good for the town, but of late years it has been in a half paralyzed, semi-comatose condition, of no use to itself and a burden to its nurses. Experienced physicians are expected to be in attendance Friday evening, to determine whether or no life is entirely extinct. If some spark of vitality is apparent the question will be, whether it will pay to apply vivifying remedies.

Most of the early friends and nearest relatives of the Association have long since ceased to manifest any interest in its existence, and unless they can be speedily induced to bestow some attention upon it, it must soon sink of neglect and be left to public charity for a decent burial. It now excites in those who happen to view its sad condition, the same feeling produced by the sight of some wandering, half starved cat, or an old abandoned and dilapidated horse, painfully moving along on three legs seeking a precarious living by the wayside.

As for ourselves we have long been in favor of knocking the poor creature on the head and burying it out of sight. No effort seems successful in calling its friends to its rescue, and it has become a most disagreeable burden to those whose remembrance of it, as it appeared in better times causes them to keep it in a painful and precarious state of existence. We believe that it is possible to restore it to its old health, vigor, and usefulness, but this would require that effort and steady attention which it seems impossible to obtain for it. In former times it was instrumental in stirring up local pride and did much to obtain for us many beautifying improvements. There is still very much left for it to do in the way of adding to the beauty and healthfulness of the town, and uniting citizens in favor of needed reform.

But as it is now it is not only no good but is positively harmful, in the same way that any other broken down, dilapidated and neglected creature or institution is. Nothing is a greater drag to a town than neglected roads, tumble down buildings and dead and alive societies. Better no improvement associations at all, than one which seems to be a flaming advertisement that Bloomfielders take no interest in improvements.

Our town people so far from taking no interest in public improvements are on the contrary, as our history shows very much alive to all that concerns our prosperity. But here is an institution which advertises itself as and enjoys a monopoly of the name of "The Bloomfield Village Improvement Association." But when its condition is examined into it is discovered that its meetings are attended by ten or a dozen men who apparently wonder what they are called together for, and that for two years or more it has not had the least public manifestation of its advocacy of or assistance to any public improvement, or private one either, for the matter of that.

Let the meeting Friday night carefully survey the field and determine whether there is anything in this town for an improvement association to do, and if this is determined in the affirmative, whether the present organization has within itself the means to do these things which it seems ought to be done. If this likewise is decided in the affirmative, then let the association bring forth fruits meet for repentance. If the latter question is decided in the negative, then let the association donate its assets to the Cemetery Company and depart this life.

The Old Church Music.

We present our compliments to the Old Church and congratulate it on the beautiful music its choir and organist are furnishing its congregation and the strangers whom it entertains. No one can attend the services in the Old Church in these later days without being impressed with the fact, that good music is a most powerful element in religious worship. As some of our readers will remember we have in times gone by been rather free with our adverse criticism of some Bloomfield church music. In those times we pointed out what seemed to us serious defects and the causes of them. We have not the assurance to suppose that those criticisms had any effect upon the purveyors of church music, and merely wish to state as a fact that the music of the Old Church at the present time is just about what church music ought to be, with this saving clause that the congregation seems to be satisfied with listening only. This last is not as it should be. How would it do for the congregation to follow the splendid example of the people behind the pulpit?

Mr. Mix is not only a fine organist, but what is more important in our opinion, in churches like ours, he is a leader of the first class. We hope the trustees will see to it that Bloomfield does not lose so valuable a member of the township family.

Y. M. C. A. Work in Bloomfield.

Does it Pay?

The Young Men's Christian Association recognizes the fact that the church of God does not consist of any one denomination but of every Christian sect, and comprises in its membership representatives from all denominations. Sectarianism will never save a soul, but let the young blood of all the churches unite in an earnest endeavor, through the agency of the Young Men's Christian Association, for the salvation of their unconverted friends as Paul did, denying self, "Casting of the works of Darkness and putting on the armor of light," and see what results will follow.

In a town not a thousand miles from Bloomfield there is a work carried on for young men that merits commendation of all. Pastors and laymen have united their efforts and forces, laboring with all diligence for the salvation of this class, through the Young Men's Christian Association and the Church.

Pastors may be seen greeting each other in the association rooms as well as on the floor of the gymnasium.

Brethren from all the churches meet here, in class, in the meetings, in the gymnasium, their friends are invited and coming under the influence of so devoted yet congenial a company cannot help but admire, embrace and possess that Christ who wrought in man's life so thoroughly changes his natural disposition.

Does this detract from the interest of the church? No, it only imparts a greater endeavor. The young heroes of the cross become anxious for the salvation of their fellow, and exert special efforts to lead them into the church. As a consequence the churches are filled with young men every Sabbath, and few are seen loafing on the corners of the streets. This is healthful. What may be expected of one engaged in a work when he is lacking that which he ought to be full in order to impart it to others and ensure success.

It requires no small effort to bring about this state of affairs in the place mentioned, however the opportunity was seen and utilized. The result is glorious. Could not a similar work be accomplished in Bloomfield? What shall prevent it?

Does it pay to support a work of that nature? In speaking with General Secretaries concerning the work of the gymnasium, I was told that in general the results of the drills have been excellent. The boys and young men invariably feel greatly benefited, and express their highest gratifications. Does it pay to support an institution that takes our boys and young men, puny, deformed, and weak as they often are, and by proper training imparts to them strength, vigor, and health? Part to them strength, vigor, and health? Some one in Bloomfield financially capable ought to consider it a great privilege to place at least a hundred dollars worth of apparatus into the gymnasium at once. I find some valuable appliances wanted. Some one having the work at heart ought to avail himself of a ripe opportunity. Not the physical alone, but let us look at the social. Could there be a place more desirable than the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association for the enjoyment of social conversation, games, or music? Or is there a place more appropriate outside of the home circle for friend to meet and greet friend? I imagine a beautiful building in our town, suited entirely to the needs of the young men, free from the smell of satanic perfume, with beautiful parlors, well furnished and quiet reading room and library, suitable reception room, convenient hall, recitation rooms, thoroughly equipped gymnasium and bowling alley hall—everything needed for their convenience and enjoyment—would it not detract from the patronage of the saloons and attract to the association and the church?

Again, I find the Boys Branch of the association consisting of nearly a hundred members. Thousands of temptations beset their pathway. There is danger at every step and stage of their existence. Will it pay to provide a pleasant resort for them, where morals are pure and society undebased, and where instructions are conveyed that will help them in attaining to a better life? Or will it profit to close the doors of fraternity and care, permit them to loiter in saloons and upon the corners of the streets, which leads to all forms of sin? Does Bloomfield contain a citizen alive with the spirit of love and sympathy who does not realize the importance of this matter? But is there a member in the association who beholding the open field for work can withhold his hearty co-operation? Says some one, "I do my full duty towards my church and pastor." But what are you doing for that unconverted sinner? Does it pay to do no more, when through other agencies much good can be added to that which I already accomplished? Why do you not in every way and by every means strive to enhance the welfare of your friend? You see the importance of the work described. What can be done? Do we appreciate our obligations? Then only halt when the need is so great?

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rogate and reported for settlement to the Or-

phans Court of the County of Essex, on Tues-

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by Crescent Sarsaparilla. I am in the employ

of Messrs. George A. Halsey & Sons, manufac-

turers of Patent and Emulsion Leather, Spring-

field valves, etc., and it is my duty to attend

the fire and boilers in the engine room. I

caught a heavy cold this winter, and after

was attacked with rheumatism. My limbs be-

came so stiff and sore that I could work only

with the greatest difficulty and discomfort.

Soon I was compelled to remain at home almost

every other day, as I suffered such agony in the

limbs that I could not do my work. Finally

my case became so bad (and medicine did

me no good) that I went to the City Hospital for

treatment. The physician there prescribed for

me, but I grew worse. Then I went to St. Mich-

ael's Hospital and was treated for my complaint

by two of the best physicians in the hospital.

For a few days I obtained some relief and at-

tempted to go back to my work but found that

I was incapable of doing work. This was a great

misfortune to me, as my daily bread was de-

pendent upon my labor. By this time my suf-

fering was indeed great. I could not sleep

nights, and I found that I had lost twenty-three

pounds in flesh in a short time. I had no other

resource and could not retain food on my stomach.

In the morning I longed for relief to come so

that I might sleep, and at night when I could

get to rest and tossed uneasily upon my bed, I

longed for the day again. Altogether I was in a

miserable plight, and I was afraid I would

never be well again. A fellow workman in the

factory urged me to try Crescent Sarsaparilla.

I bought a bottle and commenced taking it.

I had not taken it more than a few days when

I began to feel better. I could sleep at night

and I found that I was gaining weight. I

continued to take it and in a few days I was

able to go to work. I have now gained twenty

pounds in flesh and I am now as well as ever.

I have no more to say about my cure except

to say that I am now as well as ever and I

am able to do my work. I am now as well as

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